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To amend an Act, made in the Parliament of *Ireland*, for the Support of the Honour and Dignity of His Majesty's Crown in *Ireland*, and for granting to His Majesty a Civil List Establishment, under certain Provisions and Regulations.

Note.—*The Figures in the Margin denote the Number of the Folios in the written Copy.*

1 WHEREAS by an Act, made in the Parliament of *Ireland* in the thirty-third Year of His present Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act for the Support "of the Honour and Dignity of His Majesty's Crown in "*Ireland*, and for granting to His Majesty a Civil List Establish- "ment under certain Provisions and Regulations," the High Treasurer, Vice Treasurer or Vice Treasurers of *Ireland*, or such Person or Persons as should be authorized thereto, were empowered to pay any Sum of Money to the Principal Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant, or other Chief Governor or Governors of *Ireland*, for Secret Service, in detecting, preventing, or defeating treasonable or other dangerous Conspiracies against the State; and it was by the said recited Act enacted, that it should be sufficient to acquit and discharge such Secretary, to make Oath in Manner as in the said Act is directed:

Preamble: 33 Geo. III. c. 34.

Empowering Irish Treasury to pay Money to Chief Secretary for Secret Service.

And

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In consequence of Absence of Chief Secretary since the Union, the Provisions of recited Act have been found inconvenient.

And whereas, in consequence of the Union between *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, the said Chief Secretary is frequently absent from *Ireland* upon urgent and necessary Business, and the said recited Provisions of the said Act have, on Account thereof, been found inconvenient, and certain Sums of Money may have been or may be issued and paid for such Secret Service, by the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Treasurer in *Ireland*, to the Under Secretary for Civil Affairs in the Office of the said Chief Secretary; and it is expedient that the Payment, Issuing, and Application of such Sums should be confirmed and regulated by Parliament;

Irish Treasurer may pay Money to Under Secretary for Secret Service.

Be it therefore Enacted by the KING's Most Excellent MAJESTY, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That from and after the passing of this Act it shall and may be lawful for the Lord High Treasurer of *Ireland*, or for the Commissioners for executing the said Office of Lord High Treasurer, to pay any Sum of Money to the Under Secretary for Civil Affairs for the time being in the Office of the said Chief Secretary, for Secret Service in detecting, preventing, or defeating treasonable or other dangerous Conspiracies against the State, in any Place in *Ireland*; and that it shall be sufficient to acquit and discharge any such Under Secretary to whom any such Money may have heretofore been, or shall hereafter be paid and issued, for such Under Secretary to make Oath before one of the Barons of the Exchequer in *Ireland*, in the Form following:

Under Secretary to make Oath of Application.

> " I *A. B.* do swear, That the Money paid to me for Secret " Service, for the Purposes of detecting, preventing, or " defeating treasonable or other dangerous Conspiracies " against the State, has been *bonâ fide* applied to such Pur- " poses, and no other; and that such Money has been so " applied with the Knowledge and under the Direction of " the Lord Lieutenant, or other Chief Governor or Go- " vernors of *Ireland*, at the Time of such Application.
> " So help me GOD."

Such Payment and Application valid.

And that the Payment, Issuing, and Application of all and every Sum and Sums of Money which may have heretofore been or shall hereafter be paid and issued to such Under Secretary, and of the Application of which Oath shall be made as aforesaid, shall be good, valid, and effectual, to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever; any Thing in the said recited Act, or any other Act or Acts in force in *Ireland*, to the contrary notwithstanding.

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